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Marion Troop Help Make Stone Soup

Members of Marion Cubscout Pack 32 recently collected and donated two large boxes of toiletries to Stone Soup, a local food pantry. The shampoo, toothpaste, soap and other personal items were dropped off the first weekend in December to the Marion United Methodist Church, 13 County Road, which hosts the pantry on Fridays from 9:00 to 11:00 am.

"The cubscouts have performed a real community service," said Else Hiller, Stone Soup volunteer. "We get donations of food but people don't always think to donate toiletries, which are also necessary items."

In addition to the Stone Soup donation, members of Cubscout Pack 32 participated in two other community service projects this month. Individual dens shopped and wrapped gifts for families selected through the Salvation Army's Adopt-A-Family Program. The scouts also took turns ringing the bell and collecting cash donations for the Salvation Army during the recent Marion Christmas Stroll.

"Blue-Footed Boobie"

ORR Students Prepare Book for Islands

Old Rochester art students travelling to the



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On the cover: Center School students presented an International Holiday Celebration titled "Once On A Housetop" to a packed audience last Friday, December 20. Here students perform "Just A Tiny Baby" which depicted the Christmas Nativity scene. The annual holiday show was moved to the Tabor Academy auditorium this year due to ongoing construction in the Mattapoissett schools. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).

Galapagos Islands this summer with teacher Jean Hong expected to bring back memories and newly acquired knowledge but they didn't foresee bringing home a class project.

English language books in the Galapagos Islands are expensive. When one of the tour guides mentioned that he would like to have some books that would help him teach his young boys English, Ms. Hong and her students were happy to oblige. The high school students and their teacher came up with the idea of creating an alphabet book designed to teach the youngsters the basics of the English language. This beautiful book will be



Above: ORR students Mary Ann Buckley, Blaine Bacchiocchi and Megan Brier put finishing touches on their page of a book which they created for students in the Galapagos Islands to teach them the English language. (Photo courtesy of Kathy Marx).

Winter Vacation

Our office will be closed the week of December 30 - January 3 so that our staff can enjoy a winter vacation. There will be no January 2, 2003 issue, our next regular issue will be January 9, 2003.

The deadline for display advertising for the January 9 edition is Friday, December 27 at 3pm.

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shipped to Ecuador along with some crayons and children's storybooks. The pictures include things the children will recognize like "B" for "blue-footed boobie," a bird common to the Galapagos. Others pictures were designed to encourage conversation about things new to the youngsters such as "I" for "igloo."

There is no doubt that the gift the Old Rochester students are sending to their Ecuadorian friends is special. The high school students hope that the recipients enjoy their new books as much as the older students enjoyed the challenge of producing the books.

Helping Holiday

ORR Fundraiser Exceeds Goal

By Danielle Cook ('05)

As the holidays approach many of us are fortunate enough to have many presents and big dinners. For others the holidays are not as easy. So, every year Old Rochester Regional High School (ORR) does a Christmas Fundraiser. For every homeroom, ninth through twelfth grade, a goal of \$50 was set. The reason this was done, was so that four families will get up to \$500 in gift certificates. When the families receive the certificates they have the chance to make their holidays merry. The fundraiser is set up was so that the families can go out and buy food, as well as gifts of their choice for their children.

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everyone to bring in their contributions. As the money came in the goal of \$50 was quickly met. Many homerooms exceeded the goal and donated much more. Mrs. Mozaz's homeroom reached the amount of \$151, breaking the school record for the most amount of money ever brought in for this fundraiser.

Overall, the Candy Cane Fundraiser has become a tradition at ORR, because the students and staff enjoy helping others on the holidays.

Theater Review

Copenhagen Is A Matchless Work

By Michael Couture

The question is marked in chalk on a blackboard, "Does one as a physicist have the moral right to work on the practical exploitation of atomic energy," and it sets the mood for *Copenhagen*. Staged at the Trinity Repertory Company in Providence, RI, the play, written by Michael Frayn, brings forth questions about patriotism, moral issues, friendships and a scientific work. It is one of the



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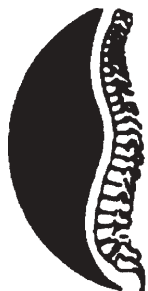
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Staged in a laboratory/classroom type of setting, the play delves into the relationship between the two scientists and Bohr's wife, Margrethe, at Bohr's home. Initially, the play opens with Bohr and his wife discussing Heisenberg's visit as an event of the past. Both are dead at this point, as is Heisenberg. Then the scene shifts to the present with the 1941 meeting.

The dialogue is crisp, mixed with scientific jargon but never removed from basic understanding. A question lingers: did Heisenberg come to learn about the Allies' progress in the development of an atomic bomb or to seek guidance from Bohr as to whether a physicist had a moral right to work on the problems of such a bomb during a wartime period. It is left to Bohr to express his rationale. Meanwhile, Heisenberg talks of the Allied bombing and the starvation that followed in the latter part of the war.

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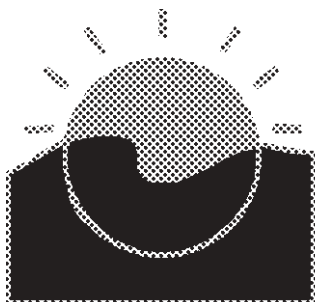
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and Bohr's later work on the atomic bomb. He had escaped from Denmark, and the American project, under J. Robert Oppenheimer, comes into focus.

It is a play with complexities as Heisenberg speaks of his love for Germany, bringing in many memories, and yet has come to Copenhagen to talk with his old mentor about morality and fission.

"In law a man is guilty when he violates the rights of others. In ethics he is guilty if he only thinks of doing so. Two things fill my mind with ever increasing wonder and awe: the starry heaven above and the moral law within me," is written on a blackboard. It is both a perplexing message and a solution to the play.

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Sports Shorts

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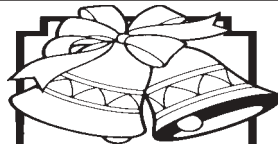


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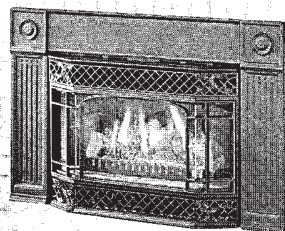
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To the Editor:

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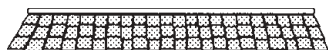
I think there is a moral to this story, but you will have to figure it out.

Sincerely,
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Lions Club Speech Contest

The Regional Level, the third of five competitions in the Lions Club Speech Competition, was held on Thursday, December 12 at the Old Town Hall in Somerset and **Garrett Curran** of Tabor Academy, the Mattapoisett Lions Club representative, won for the third consecutive time.

Mr. Curran defeated representatives from the Acushnet, Fall River and Somerset Lions Clubs. The topic of the contest was "How Secure Do You Feel?"

The series of competitions, sponsored by the Massachusetts Lions Clubs, moves forward to the District Level scheduled to be held on January 18 at the Mid-Winter Convention in Hyannis, where Mr. Curran will compete against the representatives of clubs from the four other regions in the district. The winner of this competition advances to the finals of statewide competitions.

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Books may be returned to other area libraries or patrons may bring them in the week of January 6 when they will not be charged any fines for late items. Patrons who have a library card from Fairhaven may use other SAILS Network libraries if they bring their cards with them.

Church of the Good Shepherd

The Church of the Good Shepherd, 357 Main Street in Fairhaven, invites everyone to come as you are to celebrate the birth of Jesus into our lives and hearts. Visitors and guests are welcome to the following service at the church:

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ORR Logo Contest Winner

The ORR Parent Association is pleased to announce the winner of their Design-A-Logo Contest, which was held during the month of November, 2002. Entrants were asked to create a design that incorporates the ORRPA Mission Statement. Miss Kacie Hastings, a senior at ORR High School, was the winner of a \$100 cash prize for her entry. Miss Hastings' design is a pair of hands supporting the letters "ORRPA," which is turn are holding a graduation cap. Ropes encircle the design with the words "Home, School and Community" intertwined. Kacie hopes to attend Syracuse University upon graduation this June. Look for her winning design on the high school and junior high school websites at hs.orr.mec.edu and www.mec.edu/orr/jhs soon! Congratulations to Kacie!

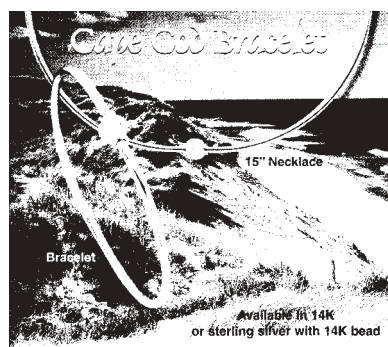
Rochester Woman Plans Walk

This January, in an effort to raise funds and awareness for stroke and stroke prevention, Rochester resident Judy (Belrose) Shepley will walk a 26.2-mile marathon for the American Stroke Association (ASA). Through the ASA's "Train to End Stroke" fundraising program, Ms. Shepley is asking for tax-deductible donations to help put an end to strokes.

Created in 1998 as a new division of the American Heart Association, the American Stroke Association is dedicated to reducing death and disability from stroke through research, education, advocacy and fundraising. As the nation's number three killer and one of the leading causes of long-term disability, it is likely you know someone who has suffered a stroke or know someone whose life has been affected by stroke.

Over the next two months, Judy will be walking hundreds of miles to prepare of the January 12 Walt Disney World Marathon. "Going for a walk has taken on a whole new meaning," Ms. Shepley said. "And the distance of 26.2 miles is my physical challenge. My fundraising goal is \$4,000 but my personal goal is to raise \$6,000. This is an opportunity to invite all those who

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Ms. Shepley said she is looking forward to walking on behalf of her father, Norman Belrose Sr. "I'll be honored to complete this event in the name of a friend or loved one you know who has suffered a stroke," Ms. Shepley added. "I invite you to include the name of that person on the bottom of your check."

To donate, please send a check payable to "American Stroke Association" to Judy Shepley, P.O. Box 3, Rochester, MA 02770. For more information, please call Ms. Shepley at 508-728-5056.

Mattapoisett Town Clerk

Season's Greetings

Season's Greetings from the Mattapoisett Town Clerk and office staff.

Office Hours

The Mattapoisett Town Clerk's office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and every other Monday evening from 7:00 to 7:30, or by appointment.

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Rochester Congregational Church

The 10:30 am morning service at the First Congregational Church in Rochester on Sunday, December 29 will feature a mini-concert blending contemporary and traditional Christian music by Justin Thomas Christian.

The First Congregational Church is a Christ-centered, Bible-believing fellowship located on the green in the center of Rochester where all will feel welcomed by a friendly, caring congregation. The Sunday schedule includes Sunday School for all ages at 9:15 am, followed by worship at 10:30 am led by Pastor Leo Christian. Nursery is provided, and a time of fellowship follows the Sunday service. Bible studies, open to all, are held during the week. The church is wheelchair-accessible.

For more information about the church and its activities, please call the church office at 508-763-4314.

Mattapoisett Council on Aging

January Events

- Line Dancing – 10:00 am on Wednesday (except January 1).
 - Cape Cod Factory Outlet/Christmas Tree Shop in Bourne – January 2.
 - Price Rite/Building 19 on Thursday, January 9 at 10:00 am.
 - State Representative William Straus on Friday, January 10 at 10:30 am.
 - Swansea Mall on January 16.
 - Lunch at Dewey's in Lakeville on January 21.
 - Movie at the Senior Center on January 23.
 - Lunch at Peking Palace on January 30.
 - Bingo every Wednesday, except January 1.
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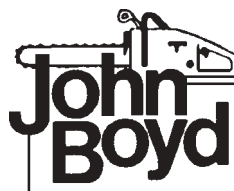
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(COA) to sign up for events (508-758-4110). Trips are subject to weather. The Senior Center will be closed on Monday, January 20 for the Martin Luther King Holiday.
Line Dancing

Line Dancing has changed to Wednesday at 10:00 am. Please call the COA (508-758-4110) for further information.

Rochester Council on Aging

- Thursday, December 26 – Lunch at 11:45 am; Cards at 1:00 pm;
- Friday, December 27 – Movie: *A Beautiful Mind* at 1:30 pm;
- Monday, December 30 – Kohl's in Taunton (leave center



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Tabor in Music Festival

On Saturday, November 23, 2002, the Tabor Academy Music Department took twenty student musicians to the Massachusetts Music Educators Southeast District Senior Festival Auditions at King Philip High School in Wrentham, MA. The students were asked to play or sing a required piece of music, play some major scales and read a short musical piece at first sight. This was done individually before a Music Educators National Conference approved judge. Over 60 high schools are in the Southeast District; that makes for an extremely competitive audition.

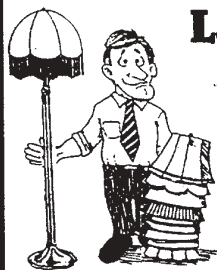
When the results were tallied, seven students from Tabor were accepted and selected to perform in the Southeast District Senior Music Festival. This festival will be held January 10 and 11, 2003 at Bridgewater State College. The festival is comprised of four ensembles (band, chorus, jazz band and orchestra) that rehearse an advanced repertoire with college level conductors. The concert featuring all of the groups will be the highlight of the festival on Saturday afternoon.

The students from Tabor who were accepted are:
Paul Hansen, Chorus, Wareham, MA; **Min-Ji Kang**, Orchestra, Seoul, South Korea (All-State recommendation); **Sarah Manion**, Band, Brewster, MA; **Allen Piekara**, Band, Belchertown, MA (All-State recommendation); **Matt Rancourt**, Chorus, Brewster, MA (All-State recommendation); **Anne Richmond**, Chorus, Chicago, IL (All-State recommendation); **Jon Stoltenberg**, Orchestra, Rochester, MA.

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Tabor Musician in Ensemble

Kristian Baarsvik, a senior from Marion, MA, was recently notified that he was accepted into the All-Eastern Honors Jazz Ensemble. Kristian will be playing first chair, lead alto saxophone in the Jazz Ensemble. This group is comprised of outstanding high school students from thirteen eastern states. Kristian was recommended for the group based on his excellent Massachusetts All-State audition (first chair, jazz band) from last year.

The All-Eastern Festival will be held in Providence, RI from March 6 through March 9, 2003. The concert will be held on March 9, 2003 at the Veteran's Memorial Auditorium in Providence. It is quite an honor to be chosen for such a select group and Tabor has been

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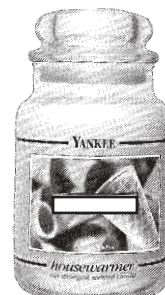
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The 2003 Shellfish Buttons are now on sale at the Mattapoisett Selectmen's Office for a fee of \$25 each. All persons holding shellfish buttons numbers 1 to 50 must pick them up prior to Monday, February 3, 2002 or forfeiture of license will result.

The 2003 Beach/Wharf Stickers are also available for sale in the Mattapoisett Selectmen's Office for a fee of \$5 each. Seniors over the age of 65 are eligible for FREE beach/wharf stickers and seniors over 70 are eligible for FREE shellfish licenses.

Acushnet Town Clerk

2003 Dog Licenses

Town Clerk Richard Threlfall announced the 2003 Dog Licenses are available now in his office during regular working hours (8:00 am until 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday). In accordance with the Town of Acushnet By-Laws and Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 137, all dogs over the age of three months must be licensed by the Town Clerk.

The license fee structure will remain the same as last year: Spayed Female Dogs and Neutered Male Dogs (\$6 per year) and Unaltered Female and Male Dogs (\$9 per year). Dog owners who fail to license any dog by

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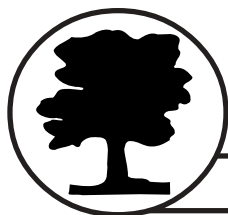


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Town Election

Town Clerk Richard Threlfall announced the following elected positions will be included at the Annual Town Election to be held on Monday, April 7, 2003: Board of Selectmen, 1 seat, 3 years (Robert J. St. Jean, incumbent); Board of Assessors, 1 seat, 3 years (George H. Perry Jr., incumbent); Board of Health, 1 seat, 3 years (Gerald Toussaint, incumbent); School Committee, 1 seat, 3 years (Gary L. Rousseau, incumbent); Commissioner of Trust Funds, 1 seat, 3 years (Nancy Medeiros-Pereira, incumbent); Commissioner of Trust Funds, 1 seat, 2 years (vacant); Trustee of Free Public Library, 1 seat, 3 years (Alfred Robichaud, incumbent); Trustee of Free Public Library, 1 seat, 3 years (James Knox, incumbent); Cemetery Board, 1 seat, 3 years (Paul H. Fortin, incumbent); Park Commissioner, 1 seat, 3 years (Patricia Swift, incumbent); Planning Commission, 1 seat, 5 years (Richard P. Forand, incumbent); Board of Public Works, 1 seat, 3 years (Matthew Goulet, incumbent); Board of Public Works, 1



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Nomination papers will be available at the Town Clerk's office on Thursday, January 2, 2003. The last day to take out nomination papers is February 4, 2003. Nomination papers must be returned to the Town Clerk's office by Thursday, February 6, 2003 at 4:00 pm. Each candidate must obtain the signatures of forty (40) registered voters. Residents who are not registered voters and wish to vote in April must register by March 13 at the Town Clerk's office.

Sippican Seniors

The next meeting of the Sippican Seniors will be held on Saturday, January 11, 2003 at 1:30 pm in the Marion VFW Hall, Route 5 in Marion. Entertainment will be provided by "The Weatherman." Come and bring a friend and purchase something from "Jan's Table." The building is handicap accessible and refreshments will be served. The February Meeting will be the Annual Penny Sale.

Upper Cape Nursing Program

Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical School's Practical Nursing Program has announced the dates of the entrance exam for the 2003-2004 school year. The required entrance exam will be administered at the school on the following dates: Saturday, January 25, 2003; Saturday, March 1, 2003; and Saturday, March 29, 2003 from 7:45 am



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All First Night events are within walking distance, with headquarters located at Custom House Square. First Night admission buttons are now available for sale at a variety of locations including local banks, the Dartmouth Mall Customer Service Center, Shaw's and Trucchi's Supermarkets, Baker Books, City Hall, and Saltmarsh's. Buttons are just \$5 prior to New Year's Eve, and \$7 at the event.

Volunteers for First Night are still needed to assist at area venues. Volunteers can sign up for a two-hour shift, and will receive free admission to all activities for the rest of the evening. To sign-up, please contact the Dartmouth Mall Customer Service Center at 508-999-4536.

Following is the entertainment schedule with a brief description of each event. The line-up features many

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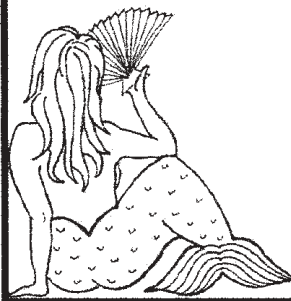
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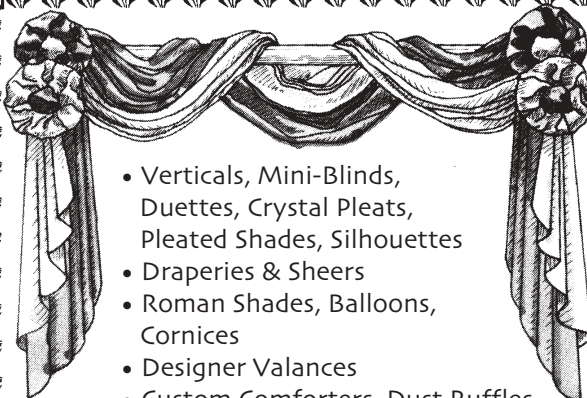
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• Whaling Museum - Jacobs Gallery - 5:00 to 7:00 pm: Reptile Exhibit.

• Gallery X - 9:45 and 10:30 pm: Miracle Fish Puppets - these charming life-sized puppets are always entertaining!

7:15 to 8:30 pm: Toe Jam Puppet Band - An upbeat, fun-filled show featuring original and favorite songs and audience participation!

• Artworks - 6:00 to 7:00 pm: Captain Dave the Clown - Juggling and clowning around!

7:00 to 9:00 pm: Children's Workshop - kids will love making their own New Year's creations!

• Old New Bedford Hotel - 8:00 to 11:00 pm: ShowBizz! Featuring swing tunes, standards and Big Band hits of the 30s and 40s, classics of the 50s and 60s, and the groove tunes of the 70s through 90s, performed by Dave Valerio on keyboards and vocalist Julie Marrinucci.

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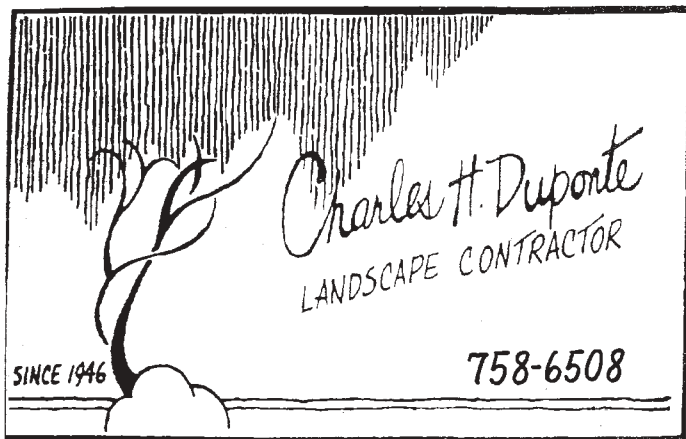
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Is it better to get one bird or to get a pair?

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curred? What if Guglielmo Marconi had not lit the spark of global communication on the cold and windswept cliffs of Cape Cod a century ago? How would we communicate today? Would wires still tether us?

The National Park Service at the Cape Cod National Seashore will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Marconi's first transatlantic, wireless broadcast from the U.S. on January 18 with a daylong series of public events designed to showcase the historic and pioneering nature of the event.

"What happened January 18, 1903 at today's Marconi site in South Wellfleet changed people's lives forever," said Superintendent Maria Burks. "Its historical significance rivals the Wright Brothers' first flight."

Working with local, regional and national celebration partners, the Seashore will host public events that are expected to attract visitors from all over. The events include a NASA-sponsored, family space education program; weeklong, worldwide radio communication sessions hosted by the Marconi Radio Club and other amateur radio enthusiasts; and special Marconi presentations at the Seashore's Salt Pond Visitor Center.

"There will be something for everyone from school kids to philatelists to scientists and historians," said Burks. "We will tell the story of one man's innovation and perseverance, his disappointments and triumph, and the lessons they hold for us today."

The Event

Using four wooden transmission towers erected on a steep cliff overlooking the rolling Atlantic, the 28-year-old, Italian-born inventor set out to prove in 1903 that man could communicate across a vast distance without the wire-based technology of the 19th Century telegraph.

Michael E. Whatley recounted the momentous night in his 1987 publication, *Marconi - Wireless on Cape*

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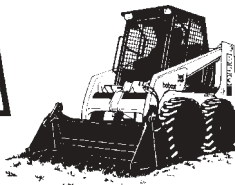
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"To His Majesty, Edward VII, London, England," read the message signed by President Theodore Roosevelt. "In taking advantage of the wonderful triumph of scientific research and ingenuity which has been achieved in perfecting a system of wireless telegraphy, I extend on behalf of the American people most cordial greetings and good wishes to you and all the people of the British Empire."

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Later that night came the King's response to Roosevelt: "I thank you most sincerely for the kind message which I have just received from you, through Marconi's transatlantic wireless telegraphy."

Whatley wrote: "The triumph was Marconi's alone, and the publicity (was) astounding." The messages appeared on the front pages of *The New York Times* and *The Boston Globe*, and congratulatory telegrams "kept the Cape Cod (radio) operators in turmoil."

Stamp Cancellation

Cape Cod National Seashore Superintendent Maria Burks has announced that the United States Postal Service will join the Marconi Centennial festivities in January. Officials from the South Wellfleet Post Office will be on hand at the Seashore's headquarters building on Saturday, January 18 from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon to affix a commemorative cancellation on stamped mail.

"Commemorative cancellations are a significant way to mark an historic event, and we are so pleased to have the Postal Service provide this tribute," said Ms. Burks.

"The postal cancellation will be a limited-availability keepsake," said South Wellfleet Postmaster Monica MacDonald. "Philatelists and non-collectors alike will want it as a centennial souvenir and a symbol of what Marconi achieved on Cape Cod a century ago."

The commemorative cancellation, which was developed specifically for the event, features young

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Guglielmo Marconi with his radio apparatus and bears the centennial slogan, "The Spark of Global Communication."

The event is part of a weeklong celebration by the National Park Service at Cape Cod National Seashore marking the 100th anniversary of Marconi's first two-way transatlantic wireless communication. On January 18, 1903, the young Italian-born inventor sent a brief radio transmission from his station atop the coastal cliffs in South Wellfleet to England. The message, from President Theodore Roosevelt, was answered hours later by Britain's King Edward VII, and the wireless communications revolution was underway. Historians consider it the seminal event in the development of radio, TV and

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In addition, following the official cancellation on January 18, Eastern National, Cape Cod National Seashore's education partner, will offer for sale at Salt Pond Visitor Center a souvenir postal cachet featuring the cancellation.

The Legacy

In the ensuing years, as radio, TV and space communication thrived, the old Marconi station was dismantled, and the site fell into disuse. The ocean ate away at the cliffs where the towers stood. In the 60s and 70s, the National Park Service restored the venue as the Seashore's Marconi Site, salvaging remnants of a tower's base and erecting an exhibit shelter and viewing platforms.

Now, the Park Service and the Seashore are preparing to celebrate the achievement of the man who



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- A new **Superprint 4425 TTY** (text teletypewriter), also called a TDD (telephone device for the deaf) is now available at **Town Hall**, thanks to a team effort by the Mattapoisett Commission on Disability and the library. This device, along with the current answering machine, will allow deaf patrons to contact both the library and the commission in order to have questions answered. Both devices will be monitored daily so that information can be processed quickly. The phone numbers

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For more information on these acquisitions, please contact the library staff at 508-758-4171 or visit the "Programs Page" of their website at www.sailsinc.org/mattapoisett.

Computer Courses

By popular demand, the Mattapoisett Free Public Library is again offering Drop-In Computer Classes over a four-month period. The following classes are now running through March 28, 2003:

- December – The Basics: Learn to use "the mouse" and basic keyboard commands. Find out what various acronyms mean. See how to search for items in SAILS network's iBistro Catalog and learn how to reserve items — from both the library and at home!

- January – Intermediate Skills: Learn basic word processing and how to make spreadsheets and charts. Learn to use templates to create resumes and newsletters.

- February – Advanced Skills: Learn to use search engines on the Internet and how to access different databases, including the Virtual Catalog. Learn how to scan and paste documents.

- March – Beyond Basics: Learn to use the Web and all about Remote Access to library resources. Learn



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For more information, please contact Director Judy Wallace or Adult Services Librarian Jan Besse at 508-758-4171 or e-mail mfpl@sailsinc.org.

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Rochester Barn Inspections

Barn inspections are to be done at the beginning of 2003. All livestock including fowl, horses, cows, pigs, sheep, rabbits, etc. need to be counted and living quarters need to be confirmed to meet state and federal guidelines. For more information, please contact Alex Wheeler at 508-763-5112, extension 182. All information will be kept strictly confidential.

Unitarian Memorial Church

At the Unitarian Memorial Church's Sunday, December 29 service, guest minister Reverend Dr. Arlene Paiva will give a sermon on "Creating our Own Ice Castles." In it, she will discuss the opportunities for spiritual growth during the cold, dark winter days.

"Winter gives us a special time to treasure and explore the depth and beauty of nature and our own spirit," said Reverend Paiva.

Sunday Service at the Unitarian Memorial Church, which is located on the corner of Green and Center Streets in Fairhaven, begins at 10:30 am. Religious education classes are held concurrently in the Harrop Center next to the church. Childcare is available for babies and toddlers.

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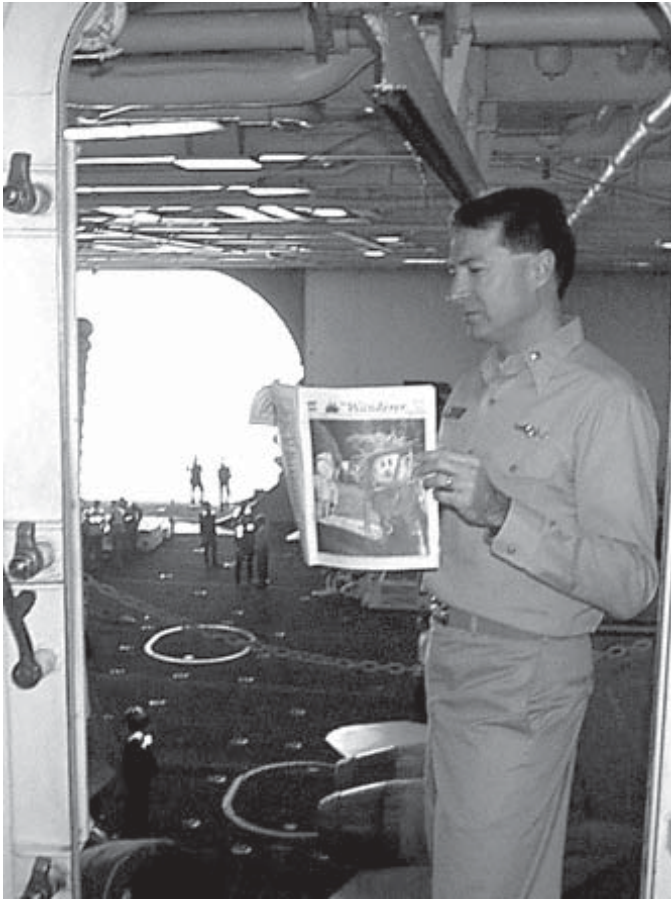


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Above: Commander Bill Hollman, US Navy Reserve, of Marion, enjoys The Wanderer during a break while at sea aboard the aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) recently.



Above: Crescent Beach summer residents Beverly and Russell Gleason enjoy The Wanderer on the beach at Grace Bar, Provo, Turks and Caicos Islands during a trip they took earlier this year.

Right: Lauren Jade Craig, daughter of David and Melissa Craig of Marion, holds The Wanderer on the family's recent getaway to Lake Winnepesaukee in New Hampshire. Lauren is sitting on the boardwalk at Weirs Beach in front of MS Mount Washington.



Above: Olivia McLean, 11-year-old daughter of Laura and Kevin McLean of Mattapoisett, visited Italy with her family recently. She stopped while wandering the walled city of Lucca to have this photo taken with a copy of her hometown newspaper The Wanderer. Built in 1504-1645 the walls are among the best preserved Renaissance defences in Europe. The fifth grader also toured Portofino, Florence, Venice and Verona. It was a trip steeped in art, history, memorable meals and an introduction to a beautiful language.



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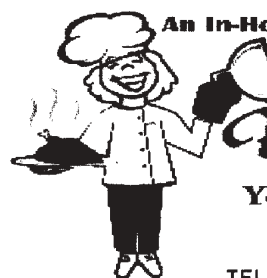
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"Amazing Grace" Program

"What's So Amazing About Grace," an eight-week video program based on the best-selling book by Philip Yancey, will take place at The Church of the Good Shepherd in Fairhaven beginning Wednesday, January 8. The program covers forgiveness, God's acceptance, and how small acts of love change the world. The group meets from 7:00 to 8:15 pm at the Church of the Good Shepherd, 315 Main Street in Fairhaven. The program is FREE and is open to all. For more information, please call 508-992-2281.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Tower of Power

By Rob Gonsalves
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The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers. Starring Elijah Wood and Viggo Mortensen. Directed by Peter Jackson. Running time: 170 minutes. MPAA rating: PG-13. At AMC Cinema 12 at the North Dartmouth Mall and Flagship Cinema 12 in New Bedford.

Even though I was lost through some of it, I liked *The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers* better than its predecessor, *The Fellowship of the Ring*. As the middle section of what is really one long story (or one long nine-hour movie), it doesn't bother setting anything up — it assumes you've seen the first one — and just plunges in. Whereas *Fellowship* gave us the sunlit complacency of the Shire darkening into grim duty, *Two Towers* begins on a note of near-disaster — a dream of the standoff between the wizard Gandalf (Ian McKellen) and the fearsome Balrog — and mostly keeps its jaws clenched in readiness for hopeless battle. The theme of this Act Two is good warriors standing tall in the face of odds that could hardly suck worse.

If that sounds like a downer, it isn't; Peter Jackson, delivering the second of his three Christmas gifts to J.R.R. Tolkien fans worldwide, comes most alive during the scenes of peril and evil, of which there are enough here for a year's worth of movies. One could conceivably enjoy *The Two Towers* knowing very little of its conflicts or interspecies politics; it can be processed as pure cinema, and forget about the plotlines, which in any event are unavoidably way stations to *The Return of the King*. We do spend a great deal of the movie watching characters prepare for things that won't happen in the movie; even the big-bang sequence, the battle at Helm's Deep, is but a minor skirmish in the grand scheme of things.

A good deal of the dawdling is fun. The fearful comic-relief hobbits Merry (Dominic Monaghan) and Pippin (Billy Boyd) find themselves hanging on a massive walking and talking tree — an Ent, really, a sort of plant elemental that watches over the green. These Ents talk slowly and arrive at decisions even more slowly; Jackson seems to be



tweaking the ponderousness of most epics. Meanwhile, the human warrior Aragorn (Viggo Mortensen) tries to get the woefully unprepared kingdom of Rohan ready for legions of merciless Uruk-hai sent by the evil wizard Saruman (Christopher Lee); and Frodo Baggins (Elijah Wood), bearer of Tolkien's mystical McGuffin the One Ring, and his loyal companion Samwise (Sean Astin) slouch towards Mordor to dispose of the thing, accompanied by the wretched Gollum.

Most of the hype surrounding *Two Towers* has centered on Helm's Deep and Gollum. Of the two — and the battle is one of the best of its kind in film history, a symphony of bloodlust and hopes dashed and restored — I prefer the little creature who used to be called Smeagol before the Ring stole his mind and soul. As you've heard, Gollum is played in voice and gesture by Andy Serkis, and fleshed out digitally by Jackson's computer wizards. You'll always be aware that Gollum isn't literally "real," but in his pathetically addled way he's more real than anyone else in the movie. Jackson seems to have studied Jar Jar Binks and learned from George Lucas's mistake.

Two Towers may play narratively as a downer, but Jackson is too spirited a director to get bogged down: Characters are always reminding each other to keep hope alive in the midst of dread and panic. Hope is there, too, in the raw beauty Jackson finds everywhere, whether in battle or in a poetically downbeat episode at Rivendell with a weeping Arwen (Liv Tyler). Jackson hasn't disdained his horror-movie roots, either: no director could be happier among the Orcs and Uruk-hai, and he has the diabolical wit to end this second entry on a note of demented enthusiasm that functions as a chilling cliffhanger. *Fellowship* interested and entertained me; this one hooked me.

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 Harry Potter/Ch. of Secrets (PG) – 1:00, 4:30, 8:00
 Star Trek: Nemesis (PG-13) – 12:05, 2:45, 5:10, 7:30, 10:00
 Treasure Planet (PG) – 12:25
 Santa Clause 2 (G) – 12:20, 2:35, 5:00
 The Wild Thornberrys Movie (PG) – 12:15, 2:05, 4:00, 7:15, 9:00
 My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) – 12:00
 Maid in Manhattan (PG-13) – 12:10, 2:20, 4:45, 7:25, 9:40
 Two Weeks Notice (PG-13) – 12:05, 2:25, 4:04, 7:05, 9:25
 Die Another Day (PG-13) – 7:10, 9:55
 Adam Sandler's Eight Crazy Nights (PG-13) – 2:30, 4:30
 Drumline (PG-13) – 1:10, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30
 Analyze That (R) – 7:25, 9:35
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 Gangs of New York (R) – 12:15, 4:00, 7:45
 Lord of the Rings: Two Towers (PG-13) – 11:15, 12:00, 3:00, 4:00, 7:00, 8:00
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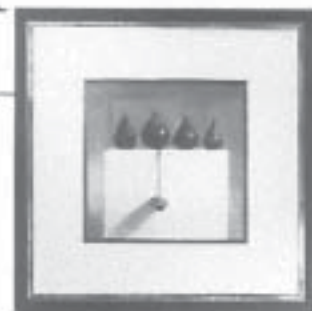
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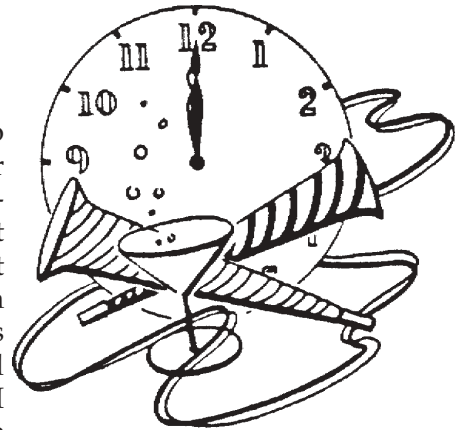
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Now that the frantic hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping has subsided and the kids are off on their winter break, it's time to turn our attention to that *other* holiday — you know, the one that makes it okay to wish everyone the plural "Happy Holidays" instead of the more-to-the-point "Merry Christmas." Chill the champagne, break out the noisemakers, and get ready to make those soon-forgotten resolutions: New Year's Eve is just around the corner!

When you think about it, New Year's is the one holiday which really has no purpose or tradition behind it other than the chance to signal the passing of another year. Virtually every other holiday has been established as a spinoff of a previous practice (religious, ethnic or otherwise) or to honor noteworthy people from our past. New Year's Eve and Day are only about signaling the inevitable passage of time. We may tend to ignore the seconds, minutes, hours, days, even months ... but a year is too big a chunk to let slip by without some sort of formal acknowledgement. Time to honestly admit we're all a little older and buy a new wall calendar. Time to put on funny party hats and get drunk. It's also a good time to gauge how life is going and decide whether it's a good idea to "stay the course" or look to make changes for the better.

For some, New Year's Eve can be a bit anticlimactic to the busy Christmas season, but there are those like me who usually look forward to and appreciate the post-Yule celebration. Not only does it offer a respite from the hectic holiday — *unless you find yourself stuck in the gift exchange line, that is* — but I always found it fun to look forward to another year with a renewed sense of hope and expectation. There's something exciting about not knowing what a New Year might bring.

Is there a new job on the horizon? Will there be promising changes for family members and friends? Will my life somehow change?

Not surprisingly, I've found that my level of interest in ringing in the New Year has always been directly related to how life fared the previous year. If 2000 was a great year, for instance, I'd always be a

little reluctant to welcome 2001 for fear that the winning streak might soon end. (Call it the pessimist in me.) But if things seemed to be bad or I felt like I didn't make

much progress, I'd be more eager to hug and cuddle that New Year's Baby.

Most New Year's traditions are just overblown extensions of people's natural desire to *party*, when you come right down to it. People get liquored up, make noise, dance, sing, and then go to bed nursing a hangover. Cotton mouth and a pounding headache is really not the optimum condition to welcome a "new year," but it does make for interesting stories as the year progresses.

That is also the other purpose behind celebrating New Year's, I think — to review a virtual highlight reel from the previous year in your mind. It's inherent in that odd little ditty we all find ourselves blindly slurring at the stroke of midnight: "Auld Lang Syne." Most of the lyrics never made much sense to me, to be honest, but the title is Scottish for literally "old long since" and is defined as "fondly remembered times."

I'm reminded of the famous saying about people who don't know history are often doomed to repeat it, and I think that's part of the logic behind this aspect of celebrating the New Year. We all need to look fondly back on the past and take stock of it ... but not dwell on it, either. Memories — both good and bad — are what make us human and we can learn from both triumphs and mistakes.

So, whether you're out partying or just sitting at home watching the "big ball" drop on TV this New Year's Eve, remember to take a moment to consider "fondly remembered times" from 2002; but set your sights firmly on 2003. You never know what the "new year" could bring.

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- Route 195 – motor vehicle complaint
- Register Road – medical emergency
- Point Road – animal complaint
- Barros Drive – disturbance
- Spring Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Point Road – burglar alarm
- County Road – general offense
- Silvershell Beach – suspicious motor vehicle
- Wareham Road – animal complaint
- Mill Street – suspicious person
- Mill Street – animal complaint
- Front Street – parking violation
- Bullivant Farm Road – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property damage
- Mill Street – motor vehicle accident
- Front Street – larceny/past
- Wareham Road – missing person
- Hill Street – suspicious person
- Dexter Road – animal complaint
- Parkway Lane – larceny/past
- Wareham Road – larceny/past
- Front Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Briggs Lane Court – larceny/past
- Wareham Road – animal complaint
- Hill Street – animal complaint
- Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Barnabas Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Water Street – suspicious activity
- Spring Street – suspicious activity
- Mill Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Planting Island Causeway – suspicious motor vehicle
- Converse Road – power line down
- Cottage Street – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property

damage

- Front Street – recovered property
- Front Street – officer wanted
- Maple Avenue – animal complaint
- Wareham Road – larceny/past
- Barros Drive – suspicious motor vehicle
- Route 195 West – operating under the influence of liquor, second offense
- Point Road – animal complaint
- Spring Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Front Street – suspicious person
- Jenney Lane – suspicious person
- Front Street – suspicious activity
- Hermitage Road – suspicious activity.

MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of December 8 through December 14, 2002:

- Randall Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Fairhaven Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Fairhaven Road – property found
- Marion Road – domestic disturbance
- Acushnet Road – unwanted person
- Main Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Fairhaven Road – motor vehicle crash
- Dyar Road – animal control
- Rocky Knook Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- County Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – animal control
- Marion Road – vandalism
- North Street – suspicious persons
- North Street – property found
- Hillside Avenue – property lost
- Holly Street – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Shore Drive – domestic disturbance
- Bay Shore Drive – suspicious persons
- Acushnet Road – safety/road hazard
- Marion Road – assault
- Brant Beach Avenue – weapons/firearms violation
- Fairhaven Road – animal control
- North Street – vandalism
- Brant Beach Avenue – weapons/firearms violation
- Island View Avenue – disturbance
- Marion Road – adult arrest (warrant)

- Homestead Court – serve summons
- Riverside Drive – burglar alarm
- Marion Road – ambulance request
- Ned's Point Road – burglar alarm
- Spring Street – assist other agency/mutual aid.

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The following log excerpts are for the week of December 16 through December 23, 2002:

- New Bedford Road – lost property
- North Avenue – highway matter
- New Bedford Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle
- Vaughan Hill Road – disabled motor vehicle
- Walnut Plain Road – disabled motor vehicle
- Rounseville Road – highway matter
- Route 495 North – motor vehicle accident
- High Street – officer wanted
- Perry Hill – animal complaint
- Dexter Lane – officer wanted
- Braley Hill Road – domestic disturbance
- Braley Hill Road – domestic disturbance
- Vaughan Hill Road – aid to public
- Mary's Pond Road – officer wanted
- Hartley Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle
- Tobey Road – assist other police department
- Braley Hill Road – larceny of motor vehicle
- Taber Lane – domestic disturbance
- Taber Lane – officer wanted
- Neck Road – suspicious activity
- Mattapoisett Road – suspicious person
- Paradise Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- Paradise Lane – suspicious activity
- Ryder Road – officer wanted
- Braley Hill Road – domestic disturbance
- Constitution Way – breaking and entering
- Mary's Pond Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Pine Street – suspicious activity
- County Road – aid to public
- Burgess Avenue – suspicious activity.

These files may contain information of importance for particular individuals in the future. Therefore, individuals may wish to examine and receive any or all of the records prior to their destruction. The persons affected are those receiving educational services (regular education and special education) in Acushnet and terminated services during the 1993-1994 (or earlier) school years via graduation, relocation, and the like.

If you wish to receive these materials, please contact the Ford Middle School at 508-998-0265 between 8:30 am and 3:00 pm. *Records remaining will be destroyed on or around December 30, 2002.*

Passes at Marion Library

The Elizabeth Taber Library once again has free passes for the Museum of Fine Arts (MFA) in Boston. The passes admit two adults to the museum on a designated day, and may be reserved ahead of time for that particular day at the Circulation Desk, or by calling the library at 508-748-1252.

Under a new system instituted by the museum, patrons show the passes to gain entrance to the MFA, and they must turn in the passes at the museum on the specified day. The passes are good for that day only.

Patrons should also note that the passes are good for general admission, but not for special exhibits at the MFA. Special exhibit tickets must be reserved or purchased through the MFA.



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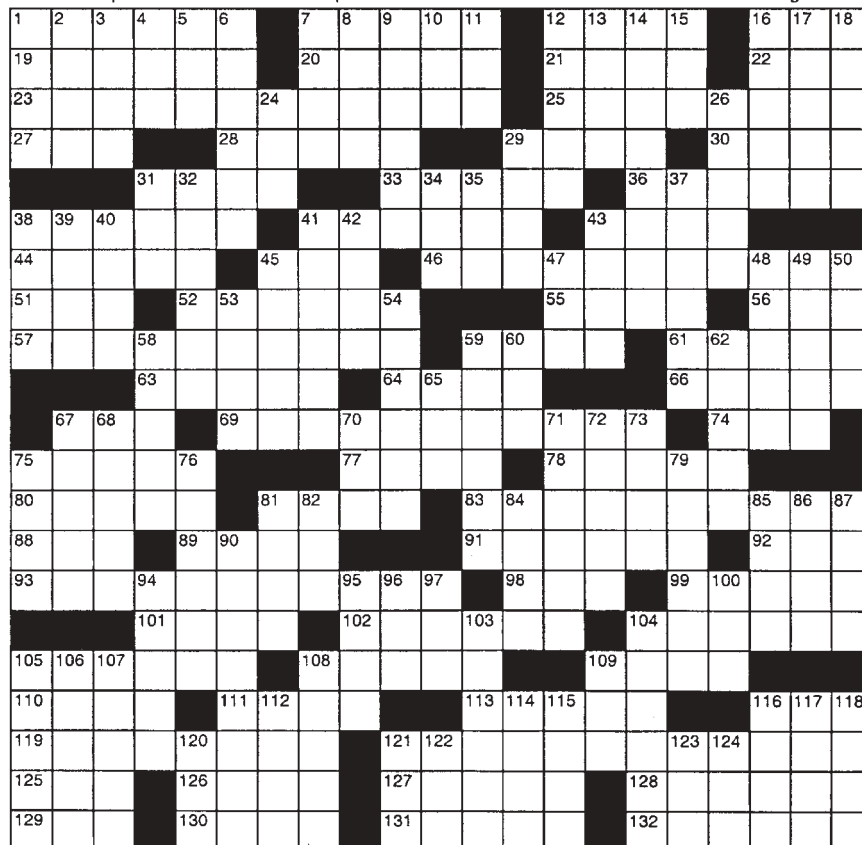
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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) An old adversary wants to make amends over the Christmas holiday. The decision is yours. But wouldn't it be nice to share the upcoming new year with another friend?

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) As news of your work gets around, expect to receive a special holiday "gift" from influential contacts who could help you launch your new projects in the new year.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Instead of fussing over what you didn't do to prepare for the holidays, relax and enjoy the kudos for a job truly well done. A happy surprise awaits you early next year.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The best way to shake off lingering holiday blues is to join loved ones in the fun and festivities of this special time. A confusing situation starts to make sense in upcoming weeks.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Special emotional rewards mark this holiday time for Leos and Leonas who are able to open up to new relationships and the possibilities they offer in the upcoming year.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your efforts to make the holidays especially memorable for some people will be rewarded in some unexpected (but very welcome) ways in the upcoming year.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Be assured that your efforts to make this holiday special for everyone won't go unnoticed by those who could make some important changes in your life.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Lots of folks want you to light up their holiday parties. But try to take some quiet time 'twixt those glittering galas to spend with some very special people.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) While the current round of holiday revels has your social life on the fast track, someone special might want to keep pace with you next year as well.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Enjoy all the fun you deserve at this holiday time. However, don't lose sight of the need to check out some of the changes the new year is expected to bring.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) What happens during this holiday time can help clear up some of the confusion jeopardizing a once-stable relationship. Follow your instincts on what to do next.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your holidays are brightened by new friends eager to become part of your life. But don't forget to spend time with that one special person. (You know who.)

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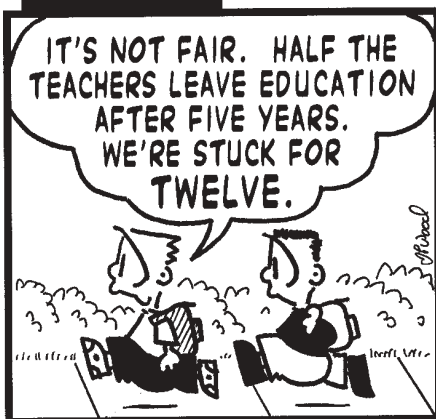
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Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of the North Rochester Congregational Church, 247 North Avenue, who are seeking a special permit under section VIII.C.5.d. to allow a sign larger than the allowed nine (9) square feet. The property is identified on Assessors maps as plan 44 lot 5. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, January 9, 2003, 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way. Ellen E. Endres, Chairman 12/19, 12/26

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SPORTS QUIZ By Chris Richcreek

1. Who has managed for more major-league seasons — Bobby Cox or Tony La Russa?
2. Who set American League records in 2001 for most home runs and most RBIs by a second baseman?
3. How many times have the New Orleans Saints had the No. 1 overall pick in the NFL Draft?
4. What was the most-watched TV game in men's college basketball history?
5. How many times did Gordie Howe notch a 100-point season while a member of the Detroit Red Wings?
6. After George Foreman won the WBA and IBF heavyweight titles in November of 1994, how many title defenses did he have?
7. Who holds the men's world record for the mile?

Answers

1. La Russa has managed 24 seasons; Cox has managed 21.
2. Bret Boone of Seattle (37 homers, 141 RBIs).
3. Once. In 1981, the Saints drafted running back George Rogers of South Carolina.
4. Duke versus Michigan in the 1992 NCAA final — nearly 21 million homes tuned in to the game.
5. Once — he had 103 points in 1968-69.
6. Just one; Foreman beat Alex Schulz, then lost both titles in disputes with the WBA and IBF.
7. Hicham El Guerrouj of Monaco ran a mile in 3:43.13 in July 1999.

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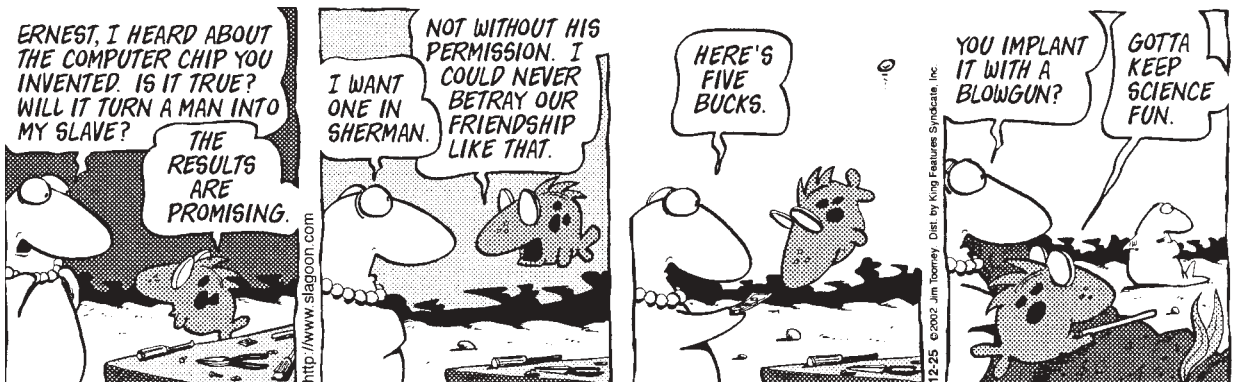
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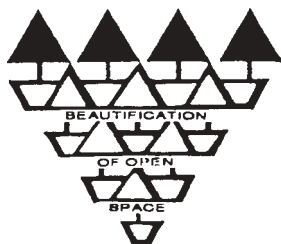
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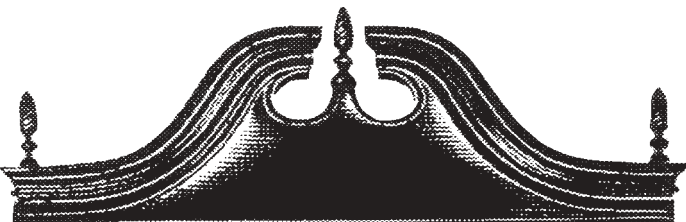
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December 27:	Fri.	1:30	1:50	7:12	7:43
December 28:	Sat.	2:29	2:52	8:40	8:45
December 29:	Sun.	3:31	3:56	9:51	9:29
December 30:	Mon.	4:33	4:57	10:49	10:29
December 31:	Tues.	5:31	5:53	11:42	11:18
January 1:	Wed.	6:24	6:45	12:35	...
January 2:	Thurs.	7:15	7:35	12:06	1:24
January 3:	Fri.	8:05	8:25	12:57	2:10
January 4:	Sat.	8:52	9:13	1:44	2:49
January 5:	Sun.	9:40	10:01	2:31	3:26
January 6:	Mon.	10:28	10:50	3:17	4:02
January 7:	Tues.	11:15	11:37	4:02	4:38
January 8:	Wed.	...	12:01	4:50	5:18
January 9:	Thurs.	12:24	12:46	5:44	6:03
January 10:	Fri.	1:10	1:32	6:51	6:55
January 11:	Sat.	1:57	2:21	8:12	7:53
January 12:	Sun.	2:48	3:14	9:19	8:48

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